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Federal Communications Commission
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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Room TW B-204
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Washington, DC 20554

Re: *In the Matter of Petition of Qwest Corporation for Forbearance
Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 160(c) in the Omaha Metropolitan
Statistical Area – WC Docket No. 04-223*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On September 6, 2005 Mr. Richard Notebaert and Mr. Gary Lytle, both of Qwest, met with Commissioner Kathleen Abernathy and Legal Advisor Russell Hanser to discuss Qwest's Omaha Forbearance Petition in the above-captioned proceeding. At that meeting, Mr. Notebaert emphasized the competitive market in Omaha by demonstrating that Qwest is not the dominant carrier in that marketplace based on current marketshare information. Additionally, as reflected in a Cox presentation to a prospective business client in Omaha, Cox operates as a strong competitor in the business marketplace with a very impressive base of business customers. There can be no doubt that competition in the residential as well as the business marketplace is irreversible in Omaha and has been well documented by Qwest in this proceeding. Attached to this ex parte presentation are the two handouts presented to Commissioner Abernathy and Mr. Hanser during this discussion.

Pursuant to paragraph 5 of the *Protective Order* (19 FCC Rcd 11377 (2004)) in this proceeding, specific data is considered by Qwest to be confidential information. One of the above-mentioned handouts contains confidential data for which Qwest has requested confidential treatment. In this redacted version of the ex parte presentation the confidential data have been removed from the handout entitled "Access Line Breakout for Omaha MSA as of February 2004", and replaced with the wording "REDACTED".

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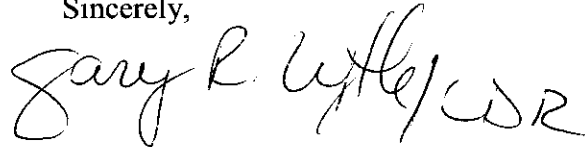
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This ex parte is being filed pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).

The confidential, non-redacted version of this ex parte presentation is being filed today under separate cover. Included in this redacted version of the ex parte presentation are an original and four copies. Attached to each are the two handouts (one with the confidential data redacted). A fifth copy of this letter is being provided, for which acknowledgment is requested. Please date-stamp the copy and return it to the courier. If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact the undersigned at the contact information reflected in the letterhead. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Gary R. Wille in black ink, with the initials 'WR' at the end.

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Erosion of Qwest's Retail Access Line Base in the Omaha MSA ⁽²⁾ 1997 - 2004

Qwest Retail Lines in Service (1)	Dec. 1997	Dec. 1998	Dec. 1999	Dec. 2000 (3)	Feb. 2004 (3)	Dec. 2004
Res.	278,678	274,843	260,023	237,787	136,572	120,485
Bus.	125,116	124,205	118,999	113,624	81,749	80,426
Total	403,794	399,048	379,022	350,349	218,321	200,911

Source: Qwest Forecast Data Mart ("FDM") retail services tracking system.

(1) Excludes Qwest Official Company Service and Public Coin lines.

(2) Excludes effects of market growth.

(3) Data shown at P. 3 of the Affidavit of David L. Teitzel in this docket.

Access Line Breakout for Omaha MSA as of February 2004

	Residence	Business	Total
Resold lines	REDACTED	REDACTED	REDACTED
UNE-P listings	REDACTED	REDACTED	REDACTED
E911 records	REDACTED	REDACTED	REDACTED
Total CLEC lines	REDACTED	REDACTED	REDACTED
Qwest retail lines and market share	REDACTED	REDACTED	REDACTED
Total Omaha MSA market lines	REDACTED	REDACTED	REDACTED
CLEC lines in Omaha MSA	REDACTED	REDACTED	REDACTED

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Overview

Our Company

Our Network

Our People

Our Customers

Cox Enterprises

Cox Communication, Cox Television, Cox Newspapers,
Cox Radio, Auto-Trader.com, Mannheim Auto Actions

Over **\$10.7 billion** In Revenue in 2003

Market Cap Value of **\$17.3B**

Annual Market growth over 10 years = **15%**

Building technology and fiber networks for over 15
years.

300,000 customers

Cox Business Services enterprise sales growth 100%
per year (for 5 consecutive years).

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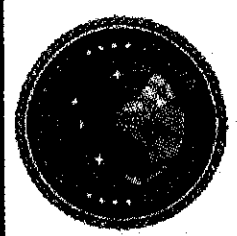
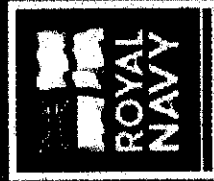
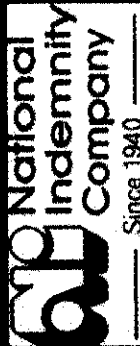
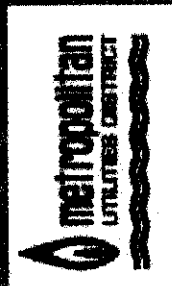
Digital Business Lines, Digital Trunks, ISDN PRI, Toll-Free and Long Distance.

Cable Modem speeds to 786Kbps/6.0Mbps. T-1 speeds (1.5 Mbps) of internet. Optical Internet from OC 3 to OC12 (622Mbps) to OC48 to OC-192 Bandwidth. Ethernet over Sonet (EOS) scalable to 100Mbps.

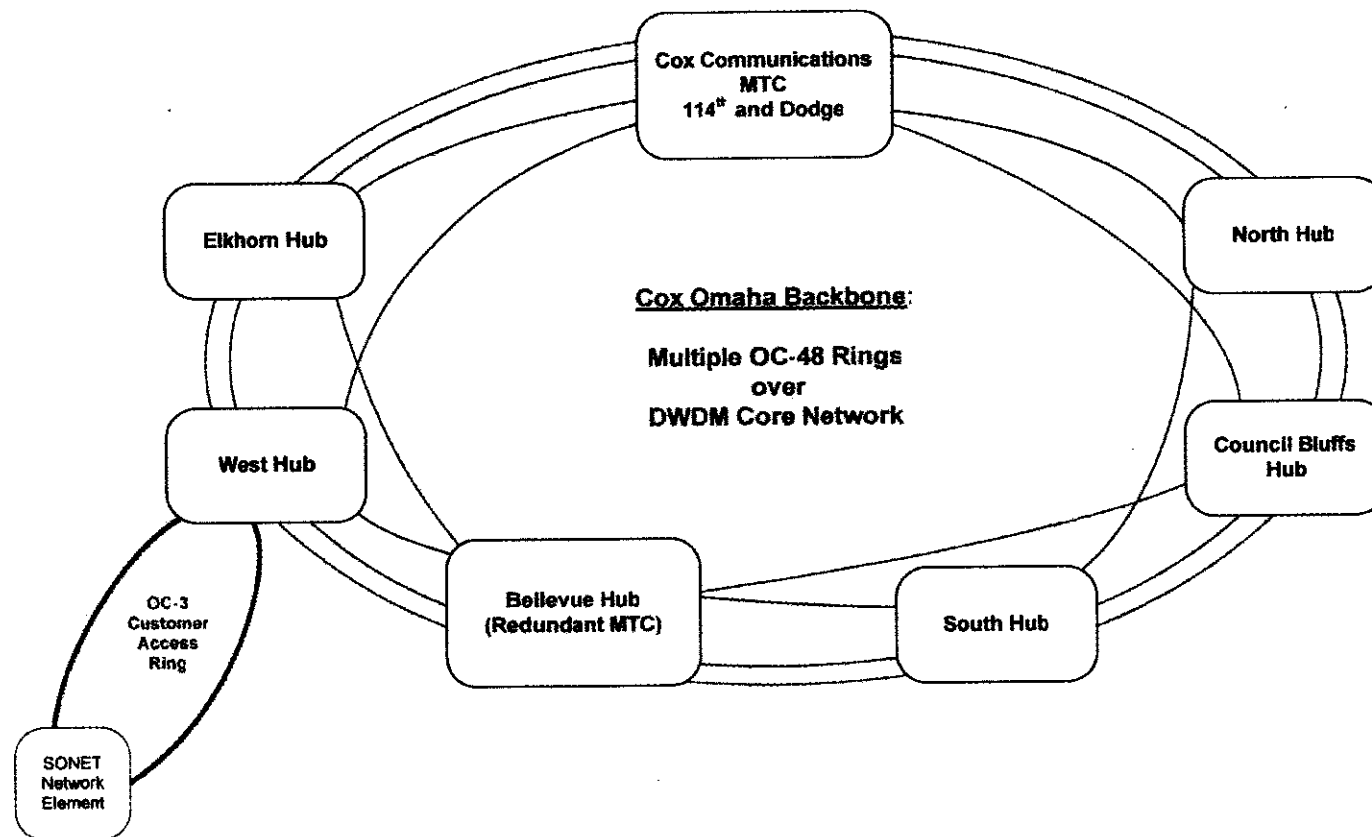
DS-1, DS-3, Ethernet over Sonet (EOS), Virtual Private Network (VPN) and Local Loop Connectivity to IXC's.

Digital Cable Television and Digital Music Choice often found in boardrooms, lobby's and executive offices.

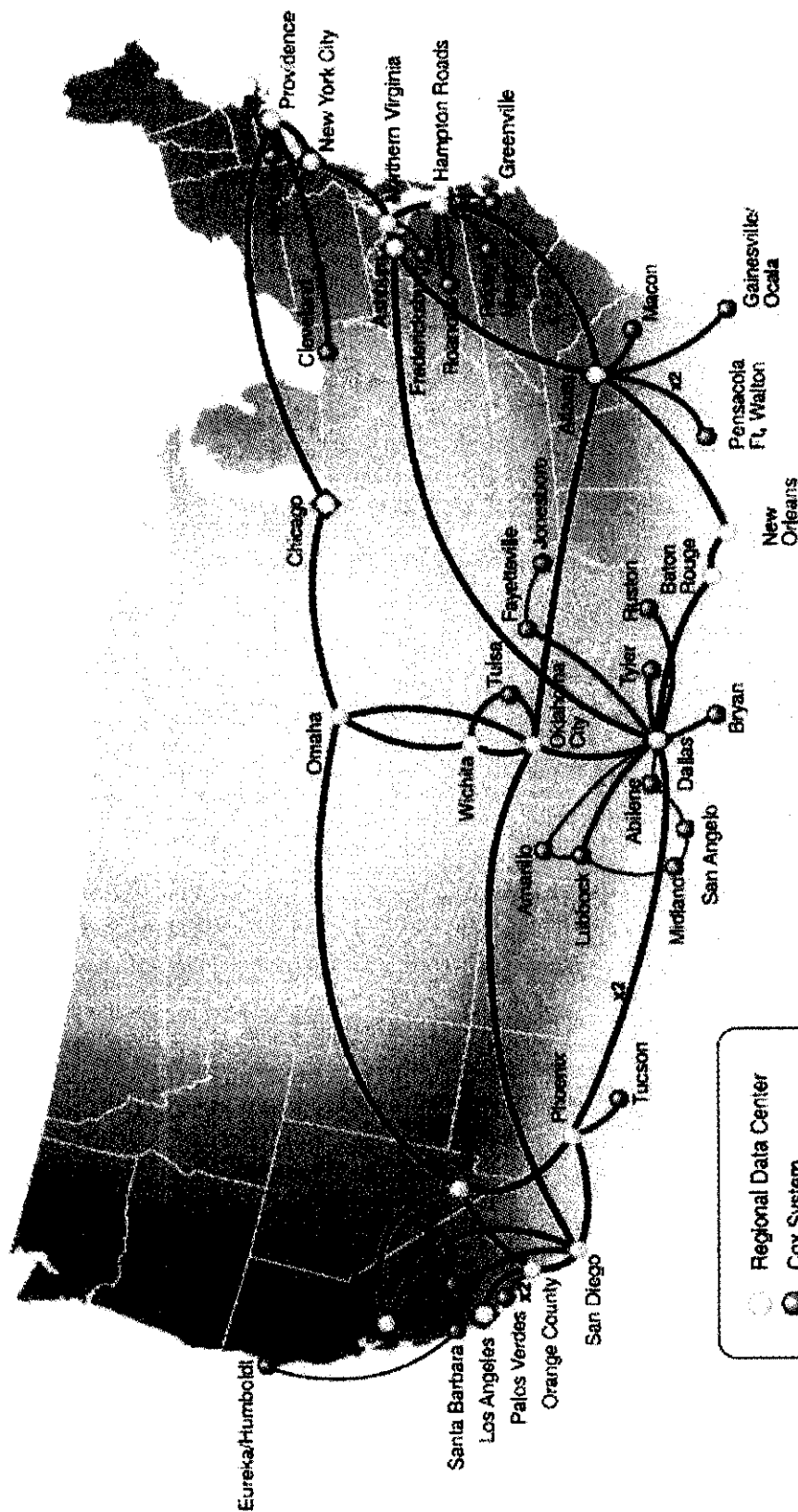
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Cox Communications Ring-In-Ring Architecture



Cox High Speed Internet Backbone



Regional Data Center

Cox System

Peering

OC-48

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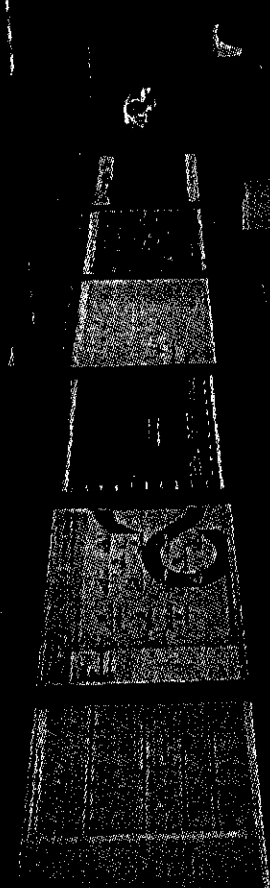
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DS-3

COX Business Services.

Due to our continued growth this map is subject to change.
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Our Network Ops.



- 24/7 Monitoring of critical elements
- 24/7 Maintenance
- 24/7 Management
- 24/7 Notifications & Response

COX Business Services

In partnership with Cox our customers receive the following benefits:

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| Superior Network – the most effective platform and architecture available | = | Peace of mind |
| Proactive Network Monitoring – 24x7x365 | = | Hassle-free & worry-free customer service experience. |
| Efficient, scalable products at competitive rates | = | Economic & reliable solutions designed specifically for you. |
| Local, experienced sales, service, and project management | = | Competitive advantage in a fast-paced corporate world. |
| Strong financial position in the industry | = | Your long-term telecommunications partner. |

Your Local Account Team

, Enterprise Account Executive
, Senior Sales Engineer
, Fiber Project Coordinator
, Enterprise Sales Manager
, Operations Manager
, Director of Sales
, VP & GM, CBS
, GM, Cox Communications Omaha

Next Steps

Your Needs
Establish Time Frame
Project Management Team
Implementation
Next Step

Our experience.

- **4,100+** Network Miles built in Omaha Metro.
- **1,000+** Network Miles of Fiber in Omaha Metro.
- Built In Business Continuity:
 - Redundant
 - Diverse routes
 - Independently powered
 - Dual entrances and/or dual hubs
- **165,000 Plus** Phone Lines in Service today
- **4 million** Calls Completed daily
- **100,000 plus** Internet Customers